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APPLICATION

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"Compositions"



Introduction

The invention relates to polyanhydroglucuronic acids and salts thereof. The term polyanhydroglucuronic acid and salts thereof as used herein includes copolymers thereof, especially with anhydroglucose.

Co-pending patent application PCT IE98/00003 describes a haemostatically active aerosol composition of polyanhydroglucuronic acid and/or acceptable salts thereof.

Co-pending patent application PCT IE98/00004 describes particular polyanhydroglucuronic acids and salts thereof and a method of preparing such compounds.

In particular therefore, the term polyanhydroglucuronic acids and salts thereof includes the acids and salts referred to in our co-pending applications mentioned above.

This invention relates especially to a composition incorporating polyanhydroglucuronic acids and salts thereof.

Statements of Invention

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According to the invention there is provided a shaped article formed from polyanhydroglucuronic acids and salts thereof.

The shaped article may, for example be in the form of a rigid pin, especially a dental pin for use in stomatology, or a flexible suppository.

Most preferably, the polyanhydroglucuronic acids and salts thereof are those described in co-pending PCT IE98/00004.

Detailed Description

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Various pressing moulds may be used to produce suitably shaped pins from polyanhydroglucuronic acids and salts thereof particularly as described in copending Application PCT IE98/00004. Such pins may be used in stomatology as fillings of post-extractional tooth cavities to efficiently control excessive bleeding. A positive effect on the healing of such wounds also results. One advantage of pins prepared by this method is that the pressing method does not require use of adjuvants such as glycols, alcohols, or water, the presence of which may reduce the haemostatic activity.

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The pins may with advantage include antibacterial components of the inorganic or organic cation type which may be bound to the COOH, OH, or both types of these groups present in the polymeric chain of polyanhydroglucuronic acids and salts thereof to form salts or complex salts. Examples of cations which may be used for this purpose are Zn²⁺, Hg²⁺, Ag⁺, or Cu²⁺ ions, aminoglycosidic, aminocyclitolic or chinolinic antibiotics, chlorohexidine or other amines having bactericidal or bacteriostatic effects. Alternatively, the pins may also include pharmacologically active substances not directly bound to the polymeric chain such as herb extracts, vitamins, or even substances listed physically admixed to the polyanhydroglucuronic acids and salts thereof.

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The manufacture is simple and inexpensive since it involves one single production step; no contraction or cracking of pins manufactured by such a pressing process has been observed.

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Alternatively, for applications requiring flexible pins it is possible to apply conventional moulding techniques such as those used for manufacture of

suppositories, preferably on hydrophobic bases such as cocoa butter or petrolatum to prevent reduction of the haemostatic activity of the polyanhydroglucuronic acids and salts thereof.

5 The invention is not limited to the embodiments hereinbefore described which may be varied in detail.